



Board of Accountancy

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James “Jim” Bell, CPA
CPA Member, Idaho Falls

Julie Ellsworth
Public Member, Boise

Board Member Changes

Governor C. L. “Butch” Otter appointed Mr. James “Jim” Bell, CPA, from Idaho Falls and Mrs. Julie Ellsworth, Public Member, from Boise to the Idaho State Board of Accountancy for the term of September 2017 thru August 2022. Welcome Jim and Julie!

Jim replaces Terry Bayless, CPA, and Julie replaces Kay Bradford, Public Member. Terry and Kay both served on the Board from September 2012 thru August 2017. Terry served as Board Chair during this past year. Thank you to Terry and Kay for your dedication and service to the Board.

Mr. David Westfall, CPA, now serves as the Board Chair.



Reporting time!

January 31st is the deadline for timely reporting. CPE courses are taken on a calendar year, January through December. The completion date on your CPE certificate indicates the CPE year in which the course will qualify. Use the online CPE Reporting system no later than January 31st of the following year. Remember to click the submit button, make sure that you see the message ‘Your CPE data has been submitted’, then print a copy of the report for your files and as your receipt **before** closing the window or clicking on the EXIT button.

CPE certificates **must** have a completed date no later than December 31st, if not the course/s will not qualify and you will need to request an **extension**.

If you fail to complete your CPE within the calendar year, you will need to request an extension.

If you want to **change your license status** you must login to our online CPE reporting site to make the change. To be timely and avoid late reporting fines, this must be done by January 31st.

New licensees that received their license in 2017 are required to complete at minimum a 2 hour credit **Idaho State Specific Ethics Course**. This is the only requirement for your CPE reporting and must be completed prior to December 31. *NOTE* the AICPA course you completed to become licensed does not fulfill this requirement.

Each Active licensee is required to complete their personal requirement that is displayed at the top of the online CPE report. The

online CPE reporting link is on our webpage and your login is your license number and your personal PIN.

NOTE:

Please record the delivery method for your courses in the field titled ‘Location’.

Delivery methods: Group, Independent, Blended, Self-study, Nano, College course, Published article.

CPE **fines** start at midnight, 12:00 AM Mountain Time February 1st. Any reports received after this time will carry a \$100 late fine and the fine increases \$50 each month until it is submitted.

All questions may be directed to Tami Helton, CPE Coordinator, at: tami.helton@isba.idaho.gov

or by calling the Board office at: (208) 334-2490.



Idaho Accountancy Pending Rule Changes

The Idaho State Board of Accountancy proposed four rule changes for the upcoming legislative session.

Rule Changes

1. Amend Rule 004.02, CPE Standards, to reflect the current edition of the Statement on Standards for Continuous Professional Education (CPE) programs which are incorporated by reference.

2. Modify Rule 020.02(b) and 020.03, Good Moral Character, to bring it in conformity with the recent statute change of Idaho Code 54-219(f), License – Restriction, revocation, suspension or denial – Causes – Cost recovery – Administrative penalties, to clarify what the Board may consider in cases involving moral turpitude, an element of which is dishonesty or fraud

where there have been withheld judgements, or other orders of decree of expungements involving a licensee or a candidate for licensure. The amendment will also clarify the factors of rehabilitation the Board may consider in such cases.

3. Amend Rule 506.01(b), Reporting, Controls and Late Fees, to provide clarity to a licensee relating to information needed on CPE documentation to support their reported credit hours. The language will reflect that found in the latest edition of the Statement on Standards for CPE.

4. Amend Rule 602.01, Peer Review Program Participation, to bring it into conformity with the recent statute change of Idaho Code 54-206(3), Definition of Attest, to define for a licensee/firm which services are considered as peer reviewable.

These proposed rule changes were published in the Idaho Administrative

Bulletin dated September 6, 2017. There was no written comment from the public during this publication.

By vote of the Board, these rules have been adopted by the agency, are published in the November 1, 2017 Idaho Administrative Bulletin and are now pending review by the 2018 Idaho State Legislature for final approval. Section 67-5224(5), Idaho Code, provides that a pending rule will become final and effective at the end of the legislative session after it has been reviewed and approved by the legislature.

All questions or comments can be addressed to:

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CONTINUING EDUCATION

NEW!! Delivery methods: Group, Independent, Blended, Self-study, Nano, College course, Published article.

License Status Options:

Lapsed - No fee, no CPE requirement and may not practice public accounting or use title CPA or LPA. Do not publicly display, wall certificate.

Inactive – \$100.00 annual fee, no CPE requirement and may not practice public accounting; must use "CPA-Inactive" or "LPA-Inactive". Do not publicly display, wall certificate.

Retired - Must be 55 years of age or disabled. \$100.00 annual fee, no CPE requirement and may not practice public accounting; must use "CPA-Retired" or "LPA-Retired". Do not publicly display, wall certificate.

Who needs to take an Idaho **State Specific Ethics** course? Only first year licenses or anyone bringing their license back into 'Active' status.

What is a **"rolling two year"** period.

The oldest year "rolls off" and the newest year "rolls on". 2016 & 2017; 2017 & 2018; 2018 & 2019 are examples of the rolling two years where the totals of the prior year plus the current year must equal 80 or more hours, of which at least 4 hours must be in Ethics. Maximum per year is 50, the minimum is 30.

Did you know? The CPE you complete in 2017 is what allows you to renew your license in an Active status in the upcoming license year?

I am privileged to serve my final year on the Idaho State Board of Accountancy as Board Chair.

For the past four years I have met many outstanding fellow CPAs who have dedicated their careers to further the goals of the profession and the State Boards. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the membership, Board and staff. I look forward to a productive year and working with everyone.

The Idaho State Board continues to advance the objectives set forth by its rules as well as partnering with the ISCPA (Idaho Society of Certified Public Accountants), AICPA (The American Institute of CPAs) and NASBA (National Association of State Boards of Accountancy) to promote the profession's standards of excellence. Throughout the year, the Board advocates on behalf of its members policy positions as well as providing input on many national issues that come before the AICPA and NASBA. We are fortunate to have one of the most active and recognized State Boards nationally.

This coming year the Board will be providing input to NASBA regarding the peer review program, continuing professional education, as well as the revised CPA exam that began this year. In addition, the Idaho State Board is providing feedback to NASBA regarding proposed language changes in the Uniform Accountancy Act that would allow management accountants to hold out their designation to the public without maintaining a license or practice privilege. Finally, the Board is participating along with other State Boards in the mission for uniformity in regulation with the Uniform Accountancy Act.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve on the Idaho State Board of Accountancy.

Dave



Dates to Remember!



December 31st - CPE Course Completion – courses must be completed and certificates dated on or before December 31st.

January 31st - CPE Reporting – all CPE reports must be submitted to the Board office. Late fines will be assessed beginning at \$100 and can reach up to \$300. ****NOTE* If you are changing your license status or requesting an extension you must submit your CPE report.***

June 30th - License Renewal – fines will be assessed for all late renewals and noncompliance of due dates. You will be placed into Board Lapsed status if you have not paid your license renewal fee by August 1st. ****NOTE* If you are changing your license status you must log in to renew your license to be able to change your license status.***

September 30th - Firm Registration Renewal – fines will be assessed at \$100.00 per licensee for late Firm registration.

<http://isba.idaho.gov/htm/online services.htm>

Disciplinary Actions

FR-0662 Johannsen and Company Kuna, Idaho

The Idaho State Board of Accountancy filed a complaint for failure to comply with initial Peer Review requirements. Johannsen and Company failed to commence a Peer Review within the required time after issuing an initial report. The firm signed a Stipulation & Consent Agreement to an administrative penalty and to commence and complete the required Peer Review.

CP-4405 Jeffery Hurst Meridian, Idaho

The Idaho State Board of Accountancy filed a complaint for failure to abide to the terms and conditions of a prior signed Stipulation & Consent Agreement and Final Order. The Board found Mr. Hurst did violate the Agreement by not making timely payment of his administrative penalty and by not adhering to the requirement to have a CPA mentor who would monitor his work and report to the Board. Mr. Hurst was ordered to have his suspension extended until April 28, 2018 and pay an additional administrative penalty of \$2,500.

FR-0240 LeBeau and Associates, CHTD Meridian, Idaho

The Idaho State Board of Accountancy filed a complaint for failure to comply with Peer Review requirements. The firm signed a Stipulation & Consent Agreement to pay \$3,500 in attorney fees and administrative penalties and to complete the required Peer Review.

PEER REVIEW MATTERS

Annual Firm renewal has wrapped up for the 2017/2018 year. With the timely firm renewal completed there have been questions surrounding peer review and the new AIPCA PRIMA system. The Board is aware the new PRIMA system has had its challenges at times. Communication with the Board is needed in situations in which firms are having issues with the timely commencement and completion of a peer review. In situations in which a possible extension of time is being requested or needed, please note that documentation from the administering organization be provided

to the State Board and Rule 604.09 states that the State Board needs to be notified by the firm within thirty (30) days of the receipt of a recommendation by the administering organization to make sure an extension meets compliance requirements.

Each year a few questions arise as to how to best answer the questions posed during firm registration relating to peer review reports, letter of comments/response and letter of acceptance.

Per Idaho Accountancy Rule 604 (01 thru 10), it is the sole responsibility of each firm to be enrolled in an approved administering organization and report this to the Board, report deadlines to the Board, notify

the Board of all mergers, combinations, dissolutions or separations, or name changes.

Idaho Accountancy Rule 605 sets for that firms shall arrange, schedule their reviews in compliance with the procedures established by the administering organization and cooperate with the administering organization and the Board in all matters related to the review.

It is the responsibility of the firm, Idaho Accountancy Rule 606.02 to file all peer review documentation as outlined in the rule with the Board office within thirty (30) days after receipt by each firm.

Idaho Accountancy Act and Rules can be found at our website: <https://isba.idaho.gov/>.

Idaho Accountancy Rules regarding Peer Review

604.SCHEDULING OF THE PEER REVIEW (RULE 604).

01. Frequency. A firm performing any of the services set out in Rule 602 shall undergo, at its own expense, a peer review commensurate in scope with its practice, not less than once in each three (3) years. (4-2-03)

02. Currently Enrolled. A firm currently enrolled in a program of an approved administering organization will use the year of review assigned by the administering organization. The firm will notify the Board of the deadlines set by the administering organization. (4-2-03)

03. Review Year. Each firm shall enroll with one (1) of the approved administering organizations. Each firm shall adopt the review date assigned by the appropriate administering organization and shall notify the Board of such date. (4-2-03)

04. New Firms. Each new firm registered with the Board shall enroll in a program of an approved administering organization within one (1) year from its initial date of registration, shall adopt the review date assigned by the administering organization, and shall notify the Board of such date. (4-2-03)

05. Mergers or Combinations. In the event that two (2) or more firms are merged or combined, the resulting firm shall retain the peer review year of the firm with the largest number of accounting and auditing hours. (4-2-03)

06. Dissolutions or Separations. In the event that a firm is divided, the new firm(s) shall retain the review year of the former firm. In the event that the year under review is less than twelve (12) months, a review year shall be assigned so that the review occurs within eighteen (18) months of the commencement of the new firm(s). (4-2-03)

07. Multi-State Practices. With respect to a multi-state firm, the Oversight Committee may accept a peer review based solely upon work conducted outside of this state if the peer review is performed in accordance with requirements equivalent to those of this state. (4-2-03)

08. Report Issuance. It is the responsibility of the firm to anticipate its need for peer review services in sufficient time to enable the reviewer to issue the report within six (6) months after the review date. (4-2-03)

09. Extensions. The Board may accept an extension recommended by the administering organization for the conduct of a review, provided the Board is notified by the firm within thirty (30) days of the date of receipt of recommendation for such an extension. (4-2-03)

10. Just Cause. The Board may change a firm’s peer review year for just cause. (4-2-03)

605.MINIMUM STANDARDS (RULE 605).

The minimum standards for peer review are contained in the Standards for Performing and Reporting on Peer Reviews section of the AICPA Standards. Peer reviews intended to meet the requirements of the AICPA peer review program shall be carried out in conformity with these standards under the supervision of an administering organization approved by the Board to administer peer reviews. Reviewed firms shall arrange and schedule their reviews in compliance with the procedures established by the administering organization and cooperate with the administering organization and with the Board in all matters related to the review. (4-2-03)

606.REPORTING TO THE BOARD (RULE 606).

01. Firm Registration Form. All firms performing any of the services set out in Rule 602 shall annually file a firm registration report no later than September 30. The registration shall be on such form as prescribed by the Board. Firm registrations filed after September 30 are subject to penalty for non-compliance pursuant to Rule 703. (4-11-15)

02. Peer Review Documentation. A firm that has undergone peer review will file a copy of the peer review report, letter of comments if any, letter of response if any, and letter accepting the review report issued by the administering organization. The letter will be filed within thirty (30) days after receipt. The Board reserves the right to obtain all other information relating to the peer review. (4-6-05)

In Memory

CP-3741
 E Ray Rogers

CP-5454
 Carl Sutton

NASBA Committee Appointments!!

Three members of the Idaho State Board have been appointed to a NASBA professional committee for the 2017/2018 year. Mr. Jae Hallett will be serving another term on the Enforcement Resources Committee; Mr. Scott Dockins will once again be on the Standard-Setting Advisory Committee; and Mr. Jason Perry will begin his term on the Education Committee. Congratulations to these Board members and thank you for your contribution to the profession.



Please remember that, per *Idaho Accountancy Rule 302.01* license holders are to notify the Board within **30** days of any change of: *Contact information which includes your email address, Business connection, or Employer. We cannot contact you if we do not have current contact information.*

Also we need your help, with all the protective software guidelines, **please add isba@isba.idaho.gov** to your email contact list in order for you to receive our email reminders.

LICENSING FREEDOM ACT

On May 19, 2017, Lieutenant Governor Brad Little signed Executive Order 2017-06 directing a comprehensive review of Idaho's occupational licensing requirements. Per this executive order, input is now being accepted from all licensees and any public comment related to the licensing process and requirements associated with becoming licensed. To read the entire executive order, you can click on the link [Executive Order 2017-06 – "Idaho Licensing Freedom Act"](#).

All interested parties who wish to comment will need to do so by May 10, 2018. You can submit in writing or electronically through the following:

Idaho State Board of Accountancy

Website: www.isba.idaho.gov

Email: isba@isba.idaho.gov (please include Executive Order 2017-06 in the subject line)

US Mail: Idaho State Board of Accountancy

3101 W. Main St, Ste 210

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Idaho Lieutenant Governor

US Mail: Office of Lt. Governor

Honorable Brad Little

State Capitol

P.O. Box 83720

Boise, ID 83720

Website: <https://lgo.idaho.gov/freedomact/>

We look forward to serving the citizens of Idaho and encourage your comments.

Idaho



Average Age 31.4

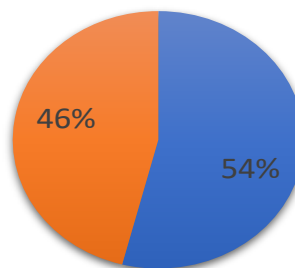
Degrees Attained by each Candidate

Bachelor's	78	83.9%
Advanced	5	5.4%
Other	10	10.8%

Idaho Ranking within Jurisdictions (1 to 53)

Candidates	Sections
45	46
27	22
Pass Rate	Avg Score

Exam Type by %



■ Re-Exam ■ First-Time

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Next Board Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2018

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Thursday, July 19, 2018

Thursday, October 18, 2018

Office Closures

November 23, 2017

December 25, 2017

January 1, 2018

January 15, 2018

February 19th, 2018

May 28th, 2018

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Results from the launch of the new tests have been released. As you can see even though the number of test takers and sections taken were down in Q2 when the new exams launched, the overall pass rate increased over Q1 scores.

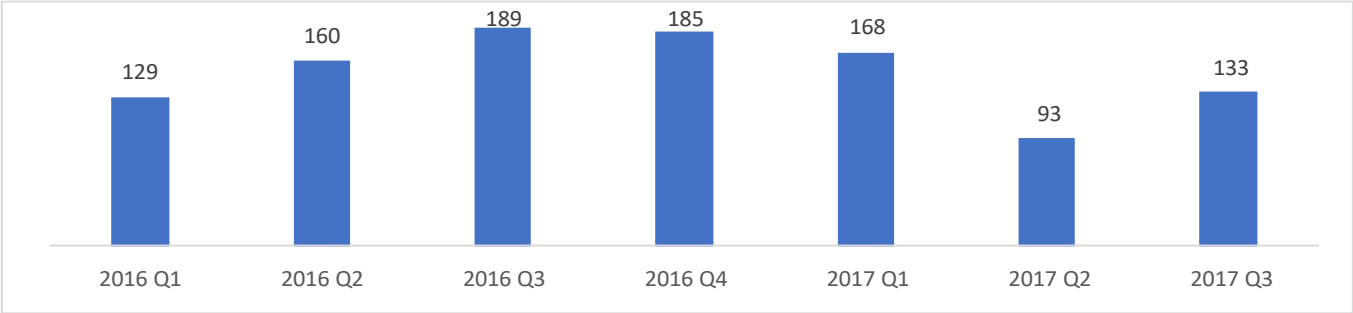
Section Performance

	Sections			Score			% Pass		
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q1	Q2	Q3
First-Time Re-exam	122	46	101	70.7	69.3	71.9	52.5%	39.1%	54.5%
	113	55	66	68.2	73.4	71.9	26.6%	56.4%	54.6%
AUD	39	26	41	71.9	70.3	71.4	41.0%	53.9%	53.7%
BEC	81	21	36	71.1	77.5	76.7	43.2%	61.9%	69.4%
FAR	52	24	49	65.2	71.3	72.1	30.8%	54.2%	53.1%
REG	63	30	41	69.5	68.5	68.0	42.9%	30.0%	43.9%

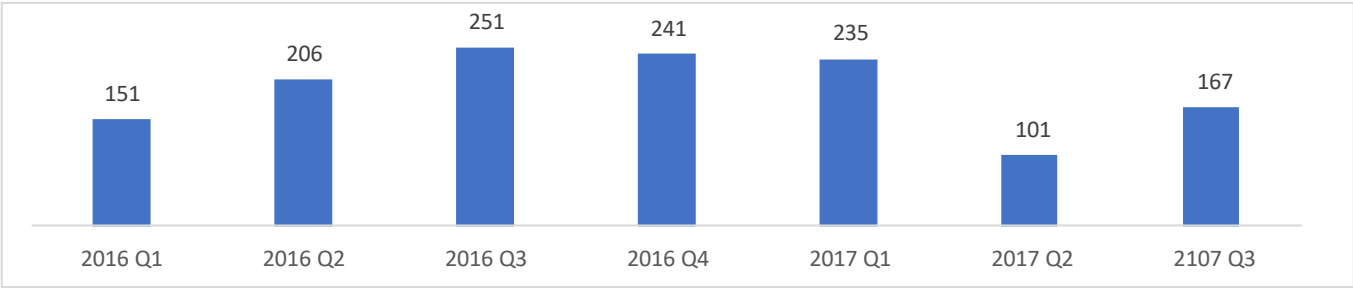
2017 Overall Performance

Idaho	Q1	Q2	Q3
Unique Candidates	168	93	133
New Candidates	38	23	40
Total Sections	235	101	167
Passing 4 th Section	25	15	17
Sections/Candidates	1.40	1.09	1.26
Pass Rate	40%	49%	55%
Average Score	69.5	71.5	71.9
All Jurisdictions	Q1	Q2	Q3
Sections/Candidates	1.38	1.20	1.34
Pass Rate	46%	50%	51%
Average Score	70.6	71.0	71.1

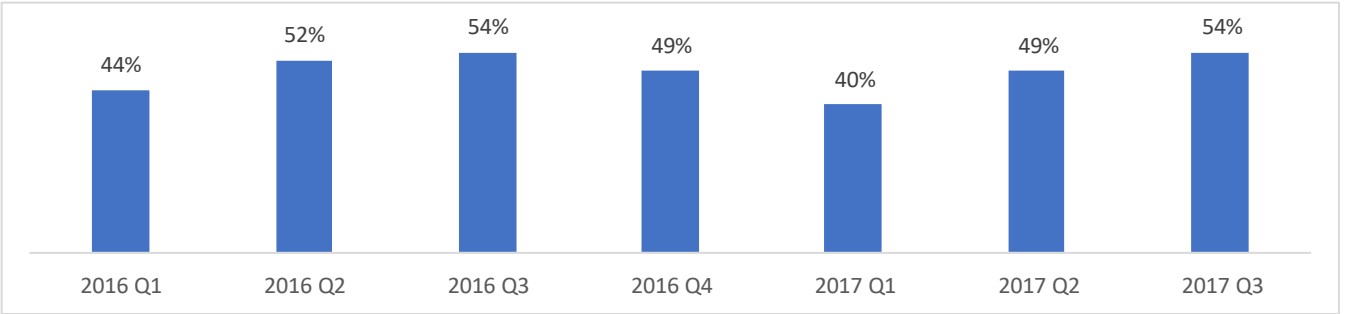
Candidates



Sections



% Pass





Apr - May 2017

Brandy Browning
Justin Connolly
Troy J. Earl
Tyrel Garner
Adam Jacobsmeier
Jayme Johnson
Benjamin T Klotthor
Burke J. Kunz
Thomas J. Luper
Cassidy A. Runyan
Gabriel D. Shaw
Tanya M. Shull
Scott M. Taylor
Joseph P. Tocco
Ryan Wheeler

July - Aug - Sep 2017

Scott Babcock
Cody Bunn
Anjanette Call
Heidi Carey
Taisia Chorny
Karla Esparza
Brian Gillenwater
Matthew Goodfellow
Harmon Hardy
Ryken Lakey
Rachel Pantone
Mary Lou Pasto
Shane Riley
Paul Sheldon
Samantha Sorensen
Amy Timmer
Alexa Wheeler



New Licensees CP-5829 thru CP-5905

Joseph Tyler Bunderson	CP-5829	Exam	ID	04/27/2017
William Walker Birdsall	CP-5830	Exam	ID	05/03/2017
Garth Vance Rogers	CP-5831	Exam	ID	05/03/2017
Christopher Joseph Stevens	CP-5832	Exam	ID	05/11/2017
Morgan James Browning	CP-5833	Reciprocity	NM	05/16/2017
Mark Edmund Joseph	CP-5834	Reciprocity	CO	06/05/2017
Matthew Duff Peterson	CP-5835	Reciprocity	WA	07/01/2017
Brittney Christina Duffin	CP-5836	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Kyle Dean Sales	CP-5837	Reciprocity	WA	07/01/2017
Casey Aaron Howell	CP-5838	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Clark Jacob Bigler	CP-5839	Reciprocity	WA	07/03/2017
Robert Jacade Hickman	CP-5840	Reciprocity	CA	07/01/2017
Stephen Paul Hunt	CP-5841	Reciprocity	MT	07/01/2017
Robin Lynn Walton	CP-5842	Reciprocity	OR	07/01/2017
Maiko Muromachi Rueff	CP-5843	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Timothy Patrick McGree	CP-5844	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Kashif Mohammed	CP-5845	Grade Transfer	AK	07/01/2017
Emily Marie Hurley	CP-5846	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Darren Carl Smith	CP-5847	Reciprocity	OR	07/01/2017
Steven Robert Dyck	CP-5848	Reciprocity	CO	07/01/2017
Burke T McArthur	CP-5849	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Troy Michael Cunningham	CP-5850	Exam	ID	07/01/2017
Caleb Anthony Schurger	CP-5851	Reciprocity	CA	07/11/2017
Robert Wayne Leavitt	CP-5852	Exam	ID	07/11/2017
Timothy Michael Hoyt	CP-5853	Grade Transfer	SC	07/12/2017
Brenda Sue McCandless	CP-5854	Exam	ID	07/12/2017
Matthew Sorrell Dodson	CP-5855	Reciprocity	VT	07/12/2017
Karina Dawn Myles	CP-5856	Exam	ID	07/12/2017
Devon Lynn Jenks	CP-5857	Exam	ID	07/12/2017
Heidi Melinda Shelton	CP-5858	Reciprocity	CA	07/13/2017

CP-5859 thru CP-5905

Janet Ellen Mosebach	CP-5859	Reciprocity	7/19/2017
Xinyu Cao	CP-5860	Exam	7/19/2017
Basilio Nunez	CP-5861	Reciprocity	7/20/2017
Ashlee Lent	CP-5862	Exam	7/25/2017
Alicia Willis	CP-5863	Exam	7/25/2017
Tyson Moore	CP-5864	Exam	7/25/2017
Chris Chatwin	CP-5865	Exam	7/25/2017
Ben Richards	CP-5866	Exam	7/31/2017
Nathan Faragher	CP-5867	Reciprocity	7/31/2017
Chris Wester	CP-5868	Reciprocity	7/31/2017
Ashlee Linton	CP-5869	Exam	7/31/2017
Dylan Raymond	CP-5870	Exam	8/1/2017
Matthew Lindstrom	CP-5871	Reciprocity	8/1/2017
Amanda Tew	CP-5872	Exam	8/8/2017
Gavin Schaat	CP-5873	Exam License	8/8/2017
Michele Mulkey	CP-5874	Reciprocity	8/10/2017
David Heffner	CP-5875	Exam	8/10/2017
Brittany Strang	CP-5876	Exam	8/10/2017
Kimberly Muller	CP-5877	Reciprocity	8/15/2017
Bonny Scott	CP-5878	Reciprocity	8/15/2017
Matthew David Farnes	CP-5879	Exam	8/18/2017
Jacob Franklin Revis	CP-5880	Exam	8/18/2017
Burke Kunz	CP-5881	Exam	8/31/2017
Ryan Wheeler	CP-5882	Exam	8/31/2017
Adam Jacobsmeyer	CP-5883	Exam	8/31/2017
Nicholas Moore	CP-5884	Reciprocity	8/31/2017
Emily Meppen	CP-5885	Exam	8/31/2017
Benjamin Klotthor	CP-5886	Exam	8/31/2017
Gabriel Shaw	CP-5887	Exam	9/12/2017
William Cole	CP-5888	Reciprocity	9/12/2017
Scott Taylor	CP-5889	Exam	9/13/2017
Carl Chalmers	CP-5890	Reciprocity	9/20/2017
Michael Scott	CP-5891	Reciprocity	9/20/2017
Dennis Bogart	CP-5892	Reciprocity	9/20/2017
Keely Carter	CP-5893	Reciprocity	9/20/2017
Thomas Luper	CP-5894	Exam	9/20/2017
Robert C Morris	CP-5895	Exam	9/20/2017
Jayne Johnson	CP-5896	Exam	9/28/2017
Amy Timmer	CP-5897	Exam	9/28/2017
Benjamin Allen	CP-5898	Reciprocity	9/28/2017
Julie Muguira	CP-5899	Reciprocity	9/28/2017
Melissa Lowther	CP-5900	Reciprocity	10/4/2017
Alexander Stewart	CP-5901	Exam	10/10/2017
Donald Lining	CP-5902	Reciprocity	10/10/2017
Harmon Hardy	CP-5903	Exam	10/11/2017
Marcie Harper	CP-5904	Exam	10/11/2017
Brian Gillenwater	CP-5905	Exam	10/11/2017